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Monarch Theatre

COMING ATTRACTIONS

FRIDAY, JULY 11
WALLACE REID, IN
"THE HOSTAGE"

SATURDAY, JULY 12
PEARL WHITE, IN
"The Lightning Raider", 13th Episode
PATHE NEWS NO. 52
"Swing Partner".....Luke Comedy.

MONDAY, JULY 14
MADGE KENNEDY, IN
"FRIEND HUSBAND"

TUESDAY, JULY 15
W. S. HART, IN
"THE SILENT MAN"

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16
VIRGINIA PEARSON, IN
"DAUGHTER OF FRANCE"
A Sunshine Comedy
"MONEY TALKS"

THURSDAY, JULY 17
A Mutual Feature:
"THE DEBT"
Also a Comedy:
"BEWARE OF BLONDES"

First Show Begins at 8:15 P. M.

Admission: Children over 6 under 12, 10c; adults 15c.

How to Test Your Battery

Many motorists know that it is necessary to use a hydrometer syringe to test a storage battery, but they do not always know just how to use it. It is not hard to learn and it is really worth while if a man would save himself from a battery repair bill.

Through the courtesy of Bert Wines, the local Willard Storage Battery dealer, we are able to publish the instructions on the use of a hydrometer as sent out by the Willard Storage Battery Company.

The hydrometer has a scale graduation in the upper part of the tube ranging from 1.050 to 1.300 with .005 graduations and reads correctly at 70 degrees Fahrenheit. A fully charged cell should read about 1.250 and a completely discharged cell should read about 1.150 specific gravity, both of which are marked by a red line on the scale.

The hydrometer test should be made before distilled water is added. If distilled water is added and then the test is made, the reading will be correct.

Make the test as follows:

1. Remove vent plug from top of cell.
2. Force the air out of the hydrometer syringe by squeezing the rubber bulb.
3. Insert rubber tube through the vent plug hole into the electrolyte, or battery solution.
4. Release the bulb and draw up sufficient electrolyte into the glass tube to float the hydrometer.
5. See that the hydrometer floats freely, touching neither top, bottom or sides.
6. Move the hydrometer syringe so that the level of the electrolyte in the glass tube is on the level of the eye.
7. Read the point on the hydrometer scale which appears level with the top of the electrolyte.
8. Then force the electrolyte back into the cell from which it was removed.

It is advisable to rinse out the hydrometer syringe with water as the electrolyte will in time destroy the containing case.

In some cases the battery is so placed that it is difficult or impossible to hold the syringe in an upright position over the battery. Under such circumstances pinch the rubber tube with the left hand so that the battery solution will not run out of the hydrometer. Then lift the hydrometer out and away from the car and hold it upright to take the reading. Be careful not to release the rubber tube until it is again placed over the hole in the top of the cell.

"We will be glad at any time," said Mr. Wines, of the Willard Service Station, "to show any car owner just how to take a hydrometer reading of his battery or we will be glad to do it ourselves for him if he will call."

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YOU WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR HIM

Dr. Hilton Ira Jones, an American scientist who helped pull the teeth of the German submarine, is coming to our Chautauqua to give a lecture-demonstration. The Vawter people declare that this address by Dr. Jones will be one of the real treats of the program.

When the U-boat campaign was at its height in frightfulness the government summoned a group of American scientists to a place on the Naval Consulting Board. These scientists pooled their knowledge and con-



joined their ideas with the result that the submarine menace was reduced to a minimum. Dr. Jones was a member of this board.

It is said that Dr. Jones has evolved a most fascinating address out of his experiences and that he has that ability so rare among scientific men of explaining complex subjects in a manner and in terms understandable by all. Among the things discussed and demonstrated are: the law of projectiles, air currents, light rays, the new photography, sound recorders, etc. Science is making a new industrial world and creating wealth beyond previous dreams. He tells how the slag heap, the waste of mine and resort, the laws of electric chemistry, hydraulics and the very air about us have all become the most gigantic forces in the service of man.

Dr. Jones carries with him a complete set of scientific apparatus with which to demonstrate the truths brought forth in his address. It is said to be more interesting than the "movies" and the little folks are the most interested ones in the audience.

Following his address at Huron, S. D., the Daily Huronite said:

"Should Dr. Jones again speak in Huron it is safe to say that he would be unable to find a place large enough to accommodate the crowd that would come out to hear him."

Adding Much Pep to Important Work

The State Agricultural Extension Service and Home Demonstration Department, with headquarters at Columbia, is just now entering upon a campaign of intensive community work in various counties of the State that are already organized for such work by having a farm agent or home demonstrator—either one or both—but all counties having both such agents has a long lead in getting all kinds of initial or educational work first.

The fact that St. Francois county has both a farm agent and a home demonstration agent has made a most favorable impression on the controlling heads of these departments of what is in reality a wonderful work. Better farming, as well as improved home economics, means not only greater prosperity throughout the rural communities, but also makes farm life more attractive, especially to the women, by removing from them a very large part of the drudgery of life, which was formerly considered their legitimate portion of farm work.

The manner in which much of the drudgery of the housewife is being removed from her patient shoulders can only be thoroughly understood after visiting the homes of some of those who have become interested in home economics, which the St. Francois county Demonstration Agent, Miss Pet Tucker, has been so industriously and successfully promulgating among all those who will give heed—and The Times is especially pleased to note that those who are willing to take a more advanced hold on farm life are rapidly increasing. There is really nothing to take the place of home demonstration work for the advancement and upbuilding of the human race.

Miss Tucker has recently received a letter from Miss Carrie Pancoast, State Home Demonstration Leader, in which she says that a representative from the men's, as well as from the women's department, will be sent to this State from Washington, beginning this week. Miss Pancoast also says that it will be possible for them "to go to only one or two counties, and we have tried to select those where we feel we have a good agricultural and home demonstration agent, and real, interested people. It will be possible for us to work only two counties, and we have selected St. Francois county as one of them."

Though the home demonstration work has been in progress in this county less than a year, at very little expense to the county, already the splendid things that are being accomplished, especially in liberating the women from a life-time of drudgery, is each day becoming more and more apparent. Progress in this department can only be measured by the willingness of the farm wives and daughters to hear and heed what to them is proving to be a declaration of emancipation. The initial contract for the employment of a Home Demonstration Agent in this county will soon be expiring, but it is the earnest hope and fervent wish of all who have been watching the splendid progress of such work in this county for the past several months that the office will be continued, and that the heretofore sadly over-worked farm-wives may continue to hold to this tow-line of relief.

This work costs St. Francois county only \$750 a year, and it is the sentiment of all those who have been closely watching the progress of this splendid work that it would be hard to invest \$750 to greater advantage than applying it on the expense account of the Home Demonstration Agent. The Government also thinks enough of this work to be willing to pay the salary of all such agents, as it realizes that without such work it would be impossible to build up—even to sustain—the high class of citizenship and manhood for which this country is justly noted.

A Big Sale of Duroc-Jerseys

The attention of Times readers is called this week to the announcement on the fifth page of the dispersion sale of the large Duroc-Jersey herd of hogs, belonging to A. J. Young, the most successful hog breeder in this part of the State. This sale will be held at Mr. Young's home, 4 1/2 miles north of Farmington, which he recently sold, and of which he is preparing to give possession, necessitating the sale of his entire herd, an equal to which it would be difficult to find anywhere.

About a hundred head of the finest hog specimens will be sold to the highest bidder, and there is bound to be many splendid bargains at this sale, as every hog is pure bred, and the experience of breeders is that it is practically impossible to fail of a bargain in buying such stock. The date of the sale is Saturday, July 19.

AWARDED CUSTODY OF DAUGHTER

Sonie fourteen months ago when Mrs. Clydena Hoover, of Carter county, was admitted to State Hospital No. 4 for treatment, her daughter, Eula May DeBoise, was placed in the Presbyterian Orphanage in this city by another party. Mrs. Hoover was discharged from the hospital seven months after her admission, and Wednesday morning in Judge R. C. Tucker's Juvenile Court she was awarded custody of her daughter.

Damage Case Fails to Stand

The case of S. P. Bond, of St. Louis, against Luther H. Williams, George K. Williams and B. H. Marbury, of Farmington, for \$15,000 damages for personal injury came up in the St. Louis Circuit Court last Saturday before Judge Tom Anderson and was decided in favor of the defendants. The decision of the Circuit Court of the State of Missouri. The damage suit was the outgrowth of a trial in the Circuit Court here of the State vs. John McBrien, in which case Bond was attorney for the defendants. In this case Bond made a very uncalculated and scurrilous attack upon L. H. Williams, B. H. Marbury and "Uncle King" Williams, father of L. H. Williams, who were witnesses in the case. After the case was disposed of Bond was taken to task for his utterings and during a rather heated discussion that followed was knocked down twice by Luther Williams. Bond fled suit for \$15,000 for personal injuries he suffered in the one-sided bout.

The results of this case give judicial approval, both in the trial court and the Supreme Court, that lawyers, who go out of the record in their oral argument to the jury to unjustly criticize and demean witnesses, and afterwards receive their just reward in the shape of a good "Missouri licking", will not be permitted to recover damages for their injured faces and feelings.

Fire at State Hospital No. 4

At 9:30 o'clock Monday morning the implement shed at State Hospital No. 4 was discovered to be on fire. Practically all the able-bodied men were at work in the fields at the time of the alarm, and before any fighting force could reach the scene of the conflagration the flames were beyond control, so far as that building was concerned. All efforts of the fire fighters were, therefore, concentrated on saving a near-by horse and mule barn. Hose was attached to all available fire plugs, and many streams of water were kept playing on the barn. The light was a fast and furious one, in the face of an adverse wind, but the large barn was saved, as well as an adjacent silo.

Two registered Holstein calves were burned, as well as considerable valuable farm machinery, and a number of old vehicles. The Times is pleased to state, however, that the loss is completely covered by insurance. Henry C. Bell, a member of the Board of Managers of State Hospital No. 4, who chanced to be present, rendered valuable aid and assistance in helping and directing the fire fighting forces.

School Term to Open September 8

At a meeting of the Board of Education last Thursday night, the date for the opening of the school term of 1919-20 was decided upon. The date was made September 8th, the second Monday. This is one week later than school has been accustomed to open, but this arrangement was necessary because an earlier beginning would conflict with the Chautauqua program, which occupies the dates Sept. 1st to 5th, inclusive. The Board showed some reluctance in delaying the school opening a week, but decided that it was best not to conflict with the Chautauqua.

Another matter attended to was the raising of the salaries of the teachers. It was decided, inasmuch as the valuation of the school district has been raised seven per cent, to give the Superintendent and the entire corps of teachers a raise of a like per cent in their respective salaries, said raise to be in the form of a bonus—that is to remain in force as long as the resources of the district will permit.

Jerry B. Burks was retained for another year as Treasurer.

School Houses Being Repaired

All of the public school buildings are undergoing repairs, preparatory for another school term. The work of all the buildings is being painted by Wesley Pratt and some of his assistants and other work, such as re-setting window panes, etc., is being carried out. By September 8, the date set for the opening of school, all the buildings will have been put into first-class condition.

E. E. BARKER MADE PURCHASING AGENT

E. E. Barker, who has been in the employ of the Federal Lead Co. for several years, has been appointed Purchasing Agent for that company, the position resigned by Mr. Jordan recently. The appointment is to take effect July 15th.

Mr. Barker is a capable man in the line of clerical and professional work such as is encountered in his work with the Federal Lead Co. and we are sure he will make an excellent Purchasing Agent for them.

Mr. Barker is a son-in-law of W. T. Haile, whose home is in Farmington, but who is now in Florida.

Farmers are still busy every daylight hour in their harvest fields, and in putting their corn and other crops in condition. Threshing is now under full swing, and the wheat yield is proving to be good, while the acreage is unusually large.

Local College Making a Fine Record

The Times is heartily pleased to note the truly wonderful success that the Ozark Business College of this city is meeting with, as all good citizens must be when they are made acquainted with some of the remarkable accomplishments of that institution, under its present energetic and competent management. It is the purpose of the writer to herein recite some of the really excellent and unusual accomplishments of this College during the short period of two years' time that the present management has been in complete control.

Prof. G. A. Miller moved here with his family from Muskogee, Okla., something over two years ago and became identified with the Ozark Business College. It was not until sometime afterward, however, that he came into entire control of that institution, which had been established here for a number of years. Very soon after Prof. Miller came into complete control the Ozark Business College began to show symptoms of renewed life and activity, such as it had never before manifested. This onward and upward march continued to a very noticeable extent until about the past year, when there were many signs of even a greater uplift of this truly splendid institution in the minds of all who had been brought into contact with it, either directly or indirectly.

The splendid growth this institution is now enjoying is incontrovertible evidence of the unusual qualifications of Prof. Miller for this class of work, and abundantly fulfills the splendid qualifications he brought with him as a business college expert. As an indication of the standing this institution has in the minds of those who are most vitally concerned in the quality of its product, it is only necessary to say that St. Louis business men, who are experienced in the hiring of help, would rather have a graduate from the Ozark Business College than from any other business school in their field, because, as they have said, "They invariably make good."

As an indication of the remarkable success that has been attained by the Ozark Business College during the past year, it is sufficient to state that its enrollment of pupils has been two and three times larger than it ever was before. Also many of its pupils are drawn from other states. They come right out of St. Louis, notwithstanding the number of reputed excellent business colleges in that city. Right now, in the mid-summer season, there are sixty-five pupils enrolled for business instruction and training in this school. The Times gets it from two pupils who have just returned from Eastern States, a college in St. Louis that there are now enrolled in that college, which is reputed to be one of the largest and best in the state, only fifty pupils. Is that not impressive of the fact that the Ozark Business College is a coming institution?

But, do you ask, what is the reason for the growing popularity of the Ozark Business College? Such a question is perfectly right and proper, and The Times is pleased to attempt at least a brief answer, for there most assuredly is a reason for such public favor. It is because the Ozark Business College gives better service to its pupils, both in equipment as well as in instructors. There is no better equipped business college anywhere than is the Farmington institution, and its instructors are thoroughly equipped for their work, and of sufficient number to accomplish the best results. In most other business colleges perfect equipment is lacking, and instructors are too few in number and of an inferior grade for the work they are supposed to perform.

Where formerly there were only two instructors employed in the Ozark Business College, there are now four thoroughly qualified instructors employed, while two others are now being trained for work as instructors. Much new furniture has been purchased during the past two years, under the present management, among which is twenty-eight new typewriters. Another thing the Ozark is doing that perhaps is not at all generally known, even in this community. It is training teachers for business colleges, and such a diploma should enable its holder to secure a position of large wages, as there is now a strong demand for such qualified teachers. So, you see, everything is looking upward for the Ozark Business College. It is an institution of which the people of Farmington and St. Francois county may justly feel proud.

Miss Eleanor Puttman, who is attending the Normal School at Cape Girardeau, spent the Fourth and the week-end with home-folks.

Good Examples for This County

The movement is on throughout Missouri, especially among the better and more enterprising counties, for the improvement of highways. The question of what is the best way to secure improved roads was long ago decided in favor of a bond issue. In fact good roads bonds was long ago recognized as the only way for a county to secure good roads. To depend on road taxes for the building of hard-surface roads—something that will last—has long since been recognized as being totally inadequate. This is the reason for the activity throughout the State toward voting good roads bonds.

On Monday of this week two more counties have gotten into the march of progress by the county courts calling for good roads bond elections. One is Livingston county, where the voters will be called upon to vote on a \$1,200,000 bond issue for road improvement on August 18th. The other is Linn county, where the proposition of issuing a \$1,000,000 good roads bond issue will be voted on August 19th.

Why should St. Francois county lag behind in this march of progress? This is not only one of the most populous counties in the State, but it is one of the wealthiest. But in this matter, its great wealth is more favorably owned, in very large part, than that of any other county in the State. The great mining properties, which bear the great bulk of the taxable wealth, is almost entirely owned by non-residents.

Can anyone give a sane reason why the people of St. Francois county should not have a chance to vote on a million dollar good roads bond issue? If there is a person with such antagonistic ideas, we would be glad to hear from him, and to publish his views, with his consent. The surface of most of the roads throughout the county will soon have to be repaired, which will not only be expensive, but also such repairs will of necessity be only temporary, and the operation will have to be often repeated.

Is it not time to put road-building on a business basis, and exercise sound business principles in their building and maintenance? Why remain longer in the old foggy claim? But The Times fully believes that the citizens of St. Francois county are now ready and willing to vote for a good roads bond issue. Who will get busy with a few petitions and give them a chance to step forward on this most important question?

'Twas a Glorious Picnic for All

The Fourth of July picnic at Columbia Park, Flat River, proved to be a great success, in every respect. Thousands of people were in attendance, there was something doing all the time for the amusement and entertainment of the multitude, and everyone appeared to enjoy the occasion. The picnic was given under the auspices of the Union Labor organizations of the Lead Belt, and everything that had been promised—and more—was scrupulously complied with.

Practically everything in the amusement line was free—airplane exhibition, vaudeville performances, ball game, etc. Everywhere and all day was the utmost good humor, and the occasion passed without the sign of trouble, which is quite a change to the performance that marked large gatherings in that district up to quite recently.

Wm. H. Lewis for State Auditor

There has recently been a number of suggestions among the many friends of Wm. H. Lewis in this community that he should run for State Auditor at the next general election. In fact such suggestions have come from different parts of the State, as "Billy" Lewis has many friends in every county in the State. He is now State Labor Commissioner, and the splendid and efficient manner in which he has conducted the affairs of that office is perhaps the reason for these favorable suggestions for promotion of this faithful public servant.

In this southeast country, where "Billy" Lewis is so well and favorably known, nothing would be more pleasing to his multitude of warm friends than to be privileged to cast their votes for this sterling Democrat and worthy citizen for State Auditor, should he see fit to "cast his hat into the ring."

NOTICE

We, the undersigned, respectfully request our patrons to help arrange all dental appointments between 8 and 12 a. m., during the months of July and August. Our offices will positively be closed on each Wednesday afternoon of these months, beginning July 9.

DR. JOHN B. ROBINSON.
DR. LEE RARIDEN.
DR. C. A. TETLEY.